

JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE
(Simplified Acquisitions <\$150K)

The service or material listed on N5572216RC001FS is Sole Source and competition is precluded for reasons indicated below. There are no substitutes available for this material or service.

Restricted to the following source:

Company: Metro Productions

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☒ Description of the item or service required, the estimated cost, and required delivery date.

The Naval OPSEC Support Team (NOST) located at Naval Information Operations Command (NIOC) Norfolk requires various content and visual updating to the current Navy OPSEC Computer Based Training structure in place. As technology changes and evolves, so must our awareness to OPSEC and the vulnerabilities technology inherently provides. The current computer based training has reached its shelf life of three years and will need new content and examples to reflect the current technology and relate to the Sailors, Marines, civilians, and family members of today.

Estimated cost is _____ and required delivery date is ASAP to accommodate planning, execution, and delivery so the updated version is available for launch for FY17 training.

☒ Specific characteristics of the material or service that limit the availability to a sole source / brand name (unique features, function of the item, etc.). Describe in detail why only this suggested source / brand name can furnish the requirements to the exclusion of other sources / brands.

This company originally created the source structure/platform on which the current training was built. Only this company will be able to take the same source structure and current training and add visual/content updates seamlessly and within the required timeframe. Other companies or artists would have to learn and familiarize themselves with the subject matter and underlying structure before adding updates, which would add extensive and unnecessary time of over eight months and additional costs, for an end result vision and style that is not the same as the original. This cannot be accomplished by another company within the timeframe of performance.

Further, while the Government has rights to the end-product software itself, only the original provider has the software source code needed to make the required updates to the training program. The imbedded sourcing information is not readily available to other companies without going through the original provider, Metro Productions, and it would be costly for the companies or Government to obtain this proprietary information.

CHECK & FILL IN ALL APPLICABLE BLANKS BELOW

 x The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the government.

 x The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.

The new updates must be 100% compatible with the current training modules and program, both in functionality and in visual appearance/smoothness. The updates made to the training modules must be in compliance with existing system infrastructure since the training program is operated on Government systems on Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) as well as compatible with the OPSEC on-line Application (App).

 x A patent, copyright or proprietary data limits competition.

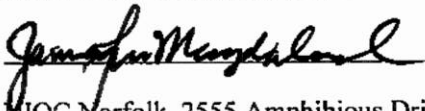
Proprietary source code limits competition to the original designer of the production. Only this company has access to create updates.

 x These are "direct replacements" parts/components for existing equipment.

New modules or content will directly replace current modules in place in the computer based training.

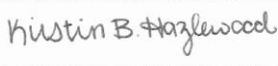
 Other information to support a sole source / name brand buy:

I CERTIFY THAT STATEMENTS CHECKED, AND INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE, ARE COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE PROCESSING OF THIS SOLE SOURCE / BRAND NAME JUSTIFICATION PRECLUDES THE USE OF FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION.

Signature 
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Date: 13 April 2016

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